



## FROM PEGGY TO POLLY.

Dearest Polly:

Another joll in social events has made this week seem intolerably long, though I don't know just why it should. Of course, the death of Russell Downing, a popular member of the Stanford University nine, threw a cloud over the city and caused the postponement of a number of promising social events. Then the Stanford boys sailed a bit sooner than they expected and that left some girls feeling less grateful than usual. But what's the difference between one Tuesday and another?

I was out swimming the other day, Polly, and witnessed a little incident that fairly made me choke with laughter. There was a malhini masculine struggling desperately with the crawl stroke (you know you swim over-hand with your face under water in that stroke) when he made a violent grab at the water and caught hold of the rope. Choking, spluttering, sputtering and blinded by the salt water he managed to say, "I—I beg your pardon, madame." This brought forth a decided snort and look of scorn from two or three spindly girls nearby. He started off in quite another direction when realizing the terrible mistake.

Another incident at Walkiki (goodness knows there are enough of them) brought smiles from two or three who happened to be lounging near. A very petite young brunette who had been flirting outrageously with a rather good-looking gentleman in the water, followed him up on to the beach where he had taken his place beside one of the Honolulu girls. The gentleman was a stranger and fast making a name for himself with the girls. She knew the girl evidently, but slightly, or else they were not very good friends, for only slight nods were exchanged. But—holder still—she sat down by them. This was all gathered in by the many onlookers. Petite Brunette immediately took her stand at center stage and let go a running fire of talk. We couldn't help but hear part of it which ran something like this: "I really think I'd better be going in. No, I haven't got a date tonight. I should worry about a date." And she deliberately, one by one, took out the tortoise shell hairpins, releasing a mass of chestnut hair. This done she "pardon-ed" herself for a moment to put the pins under her coat, resting on a nearby bench. While she was gone the Honolulu girl who was quite impersonal, said, "Why, or why, don't you bite. Can't you see what she is driving at. She'll think you terribly slow."

"I'll try anything once," said the champion unwilling to be termed slow by a country girl and he did.

Did I ever tell you that we have here the daughter of Francis Keenan, the famous actor? Well, we have. Mrs. S. A. Sloan, wife of Lieut. Sloan, is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Keenan. He was the original producer of "The Girl of the Golden West" and has made tremendous hits in the West with Blanche Bates and has played with David Belasco. He is playing a film in Los Angeles for an eastern company just now and may come to Honolulu later to visit his daughter and grandchildren. Lieut. and Mrs. Sloan have been here for some months and are stationed at Fort Shafter.

Polly, Eh—h—h—h! but there's going to be an announcement of an engagement when the Maryland comes to port again. A ducky little brunette told me so in strictest confidence the other day, or I would tell you. It is, I have heard, a case where the navy beat the army, for a few weeks before the Maryland came to town, we were all quite sure that the little girl had chosen the army for her life. You can't most always sometimes tell. Anyway the good ship is expected quite soon and then it will all be told at some large social function.

I can't tell you how gladly the younger set in particular welcomed the Wilhelmmina this week, for it brought two of Honolulu's most popular girls. One from the East, Clorinda Low, who has completed two years in Smith's College, North Hampton,

Honolulu last winter and made a host of friends in town and in the service.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. B. Richardson have received information that Mrs. Richardson's sister, Mrs. Gill, wife of Lieut. Gill of the 8th Infantry, will stop over with them during the stay of the next transport due from San Francisco.

Mrs. Tayman, wife of Maj. Tayman, 1st Infantry, who has been a patient for several weeks and critically ill at times, is now in the road to recovery and will probably return to Schofield shortly.

Lieut. Clement H. Wright celebrated his birthday last Sunday with a dinner party. Those present were Capt. and Mrs. Lincoln and Lieut. and Mrs. Booth.

Mrs. Ira Longenecker of the 2nd Infantry has so far recovered from her operation for appendicitis that she has been allowed to leave the hospital.

There will be an informal dance at the club rooms next Friday evening beginning at 8:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Robert R. Love has returned to her home in the cantonment after a rather severe operation.

Mrs. Warren T. Hannum returned to her home in Manoa valley yesterday.

The sick in the Department Hospital are all doing nicely, apparently.

## MANY CHANGES ARE SCHEDULED IN CANAL ZONE

Col. Chester Harding Slated For Governor to Succeed Goethals; Navy Shifts

(By Associated Press.)

PANAMA, C. Z.—During the latter part of August and the early days of September, next, several important changes will take place among the higher personnel of the Panama canal. The resignation of Maj. Gen. George W. Goethals, U. S. A., as governor of the Panama Canal and his departure from the isthmus, where he has been in supreme command for the last eight years, will be the beginning of other changes.

The most important of these will be the probable elevation of Lieut. Col. Chester Harding, U. S. A., from head of the department of maintenance and operation, to be governor of the Panama Canal. It has all along been understood on the isthmus, and this un-

derstanding has not been contradicted by Gen. Goethals, that Col. Harding would succeed to the governorship. In fact, Gen. Goethals has let it be known that he obtained the detail of Col. Harding to the isthmus for that very purpose.

Immediately after his resignation as governor and his departure from Panama, Gen. Goethals plans to apply for his retirement from active service with the army. His intention is to take a year's vacation and then to engage in private engineering consultation work in New York City. In this venture he probably will be joined by his son, Capt. George R. Goethals, U. S. A., and Sidney B. Williamson, long a civilian engineer on the canal work.

Before Gen. Goethals' departure the detail of Capt. Hugh Rodman, U. S. N., from shore duty as marine superintendent with the Panama Canal to the command of the superdredgout New York will have been announced by the navy department. Early this year Capt. Rodman applied to the department for a return to sea duty on the departure of Gen. Goethals from Panama. His request was granted and he was assured of the command of the New York. He probably will be succeeded by Cmdr. Hutch I. Cone, U. S. N., now commanding the Dixie.

Cmdr. H. V. Butler, U. S. N., at present captain of the port of Balboa, Canal Zone, probably will have left the canal by the time most of these changes take place. He already has applied for detail at sea and undoubtedly will be given the command of one of the smaller navy vessels. He probably will be succeeded by Lieut. Allen B.

Reed, U. S. N., now commanding the torpedo flotilla tender Iris of the Pacific fleet. Cmdr. Butler has held his present position since April 1, 1914.

At Cristobal, the northern terminus of the canal, Cmdr. Douglas E. Dismukes, U. S. N., will be succeeded by Lieut. Prentiss P. Bassett, U. S. N., now on board the battleship Delaware. Cmdr. Dismukes also has requested to be detailed to duty at sea. Just what detail will be given him has not been learned.

No information is available on the isthmus regarding the successor to Col. Harding as head of the department of maintenance and operation.

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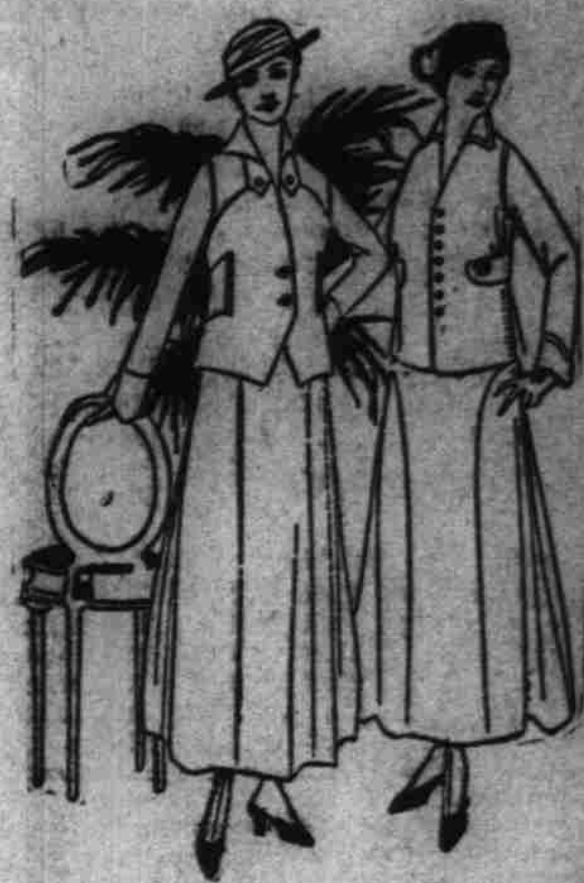
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